S. Res. 26, authorizing funds for the Subcommittee on Reorganization and International Organizations of the Committee on Government Operations (\$75,000) (amended);

S. Res. 69, authorizing funds for the Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations of the Committee on Gov-

ernment Operations (\$390,000) (amended);

S. Res. 74, authorizing Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce to investigate certain matters within its jurisdiction (\$315,000) (amended);

S. Res. 60, authorizing funds for the Subcommittee on Trading With the Enemy Act of the Committee on

the Judiciary (\$45,000) (amended);

S. Res. 81, authorizing funds for the Subcommittee on Privileges and Elections (\$100,000);

S. Res. 16, authorizing funds for the Committee on Public Works (\$125,000) (amended); and

S. Res. 33, to create a Special Committee on the Aging (\$150,000) (amended).

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Survivor Gratuities: Senate adopted S. Res. 83 and S. Res. 84, authorizing payment of gratuities to survivors of deceased Senate employees.

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Confirmations: Seven civilian nominations were confirmed.

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Nominations: The following nominations were received: Nine civilian nominations, including an Under Secretary and several Assistant Secretaries of Government departments; one Ambassador, and an appointment to a U.N. group; and three in the Army in the rank of general.

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Adjournment: Adjourned at 4:29 p.m.

Committee Meetings

BRIEFING ON U.S.S.R.

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee met in executive session to receive a briefing on the U.S.S.R. from Ambassador Llewellyn E. Thompson, Jr.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 58 public bills, H.R. 4222-4279; 17 private bills, H.R. 4280-4296; and 13 resolutions, H.J. Res. 214-220, H. Con. Res. 156-158, and H. Res. 160-162, were introduced.

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Minority Committee Assignments: Adopted H. Res. 160, electing certain minority Members to membership on 19 standing committees of the House.

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Adjournment: Adjourned at 12:21 p.m.

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

Joint Committee Meetings

PRESIDENT'S ECONOMIC REPORT

Joint Economic Committee: On Friday, February 10, committee continued its hearings on the President's Economic Report and the economic situation and outlook, receiving testimony from W. E. Hamilton, American Farm Bureau Federation; Angus McDonald, National Farmers Union; Herschel D. Newsom, the National Grange; Herbert Stein, Committee for Economic Development; and Howard L. Stier, Federal Statistics Users' Conference.

Hearings will continue on Monday, March 6.

Wednesday, February 15, 1961

HIGHLIGHTS

House committee began hearings on unemployment compensation extension.

Senate

Chamber Action

The Senate was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held Thursday, February 16, at noon.

Committee Meetings

NOMINATIONS—AGRICULTURE

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: Committee held and concluded hearings on the nominations of John Duncan, of Georgia, and Frank J. Welch, of Kentucky, to be Assistant Secretaries of Agriculture. The nominees were present to testify and answer questions in their own behalf.

OECD

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded hearings on the Convention for Economic Cooperation and Development (Ex. E, 87th Cong., 1st sess.), after receiving testimony from the following witnesses: Senator Javits; Representatives Dorn, and James C. Davis, of Georgia; H. B. McCoy, Trade Relations Council of the United States; O. R. Strackbein, Nation-wide Committee of Industry, Agriculture, and Labor on Import-

Export Policy; Dan Jones, Independent Petroleum Association of America; Everson Hall, United States Potters Association, East Liverpool, Ohio; H. E. McCulloch, Tile Council of America, New York; Enoch R. Rust, United Glass Ceramic Workers of North America, AFL-CIO; and John W. Hight, Committee for National Trade Policy.

On Tuesday, February 14, testimony urging ratification of this convention was heard from Secretary of the Treasury Douglas Dillon, and Under Secretary of State

George Ball.

The chairman announced that the record would remain open for 10 days for the inclusion of additional written material.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 68 public bills, H.R. 4297-4364; 20 private bills, H.R. 4365-4384; and 12 resolutions, H.J. Res. 221-226, H. Con. Res. 159, and H. Res. 163-167, were introduced.

Aged Medical Care: Received a communication from the President transmitting a proposed bill to provide for payment for hospital services, skilled nursing home services, and home health services furnished to aged beneficiaries under the old age, survivors, and disability insurance program—referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

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Bill Referred: S. 451, to authorize distribution of copies of Congressional Record to former Members of Congress, was referred to the Committee on House Administration.

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Adjournment: Adjourned at 12:03 p.m.

Committee Meetings

WATERSHED

Committee on Agriculture: Subcommittee on Conservation and Credit held a hearing on various watershed projects, and heard testimony from Representatives Tuck, Morris, Montoya, Haley, and various public witnesses.

WORLD SITUATION

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Secretary of State Dean Rusk briefed the committee on the present world situation.

ORGANIZATION

Committee on Government Operations: Met in executive session for organizational purposes.

ORGANIZATION

Committee on House Administration: Held an executive organizational meeting. The subcommittees were appointed.

ORGANIZATION—SECRETARY OF INTERIOR

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Held an executive organizational meeting, and then heard Secretary of Interior Stewart Udall and members of his staff.

WESTERN RECLAMATION

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: February 14, Subcommittee on Irrigation and Reclamation heard the directors of the National Reclamation Association discuss the western reclamation program.

ORGANIZATION

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: The committee held an executive organizational meeting. A Subcommittee on Oceanography was established.

ORGANIZATION

Committee on Public Works: Held an executive organizational meeting, and appointed the subcommittees.

VENUS SHOT—SATELLITE TRACKING

Committee on Science and Astronautics: Heard Hugh Dryden, Deputy Administrator of National Aeronautics and Space Administration, and Edmund Buckley, Assistant Director, Space Flight Operations, regarding the Russian Venus rocket.

Also heard, in executive session, Lt. Gen. Donald M. Yates, Deputy Director, Defense Research and Engineering, Department of Defense, and Harold Curtis, Air Force Command Control, Development Division, Bedford, Mass., testify on the effectiveness of the U.S. satellite tracking network.

DAV

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: February 14, the committee heard the national commander, Disabled Ameri-

can Veterans, present the legislative objectives of the organization for the year 1961.

UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION EXTENSION

Committee on Ways and Means: Held a hearing on H.R. 3864, to provide for the establishment of a temporary program of extended unemployment compensation, to increase the wages subject to the Federal unemployment tax; and H.R. 3865, to authorize Federal financial participation in aid to dependent children of unemployed parents. Witnesses heard were Arthur J. Goldberg, Secretary of Labor; Abraham Ribicoff, Secretary of Health, Education, and Welfare; and various public witnesses. Hearings continue tomorrow.

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HIGHLIGHTS

Senate passed bills on meteorology and FCC oath waiver. House adjourned out of respect to memory of Representative Norrell.

Senate

Chamber Action

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Bills Introduced: 37 bills and 6 resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 948-984; S.J. Res. 50-52; and S. Res. 87-89.

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Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 610, providing for the establishment of an Office of International Travel within the Department of Commerce, with amendments (S. Rept. 48);

S. 707, providing transportation on Canadian vessels between certain points in Alaska and other points in the U.S. (S. Rept. 40);

S. 804, relating to the length of time for which the Federal Maritime Board may suspend tariff schedules (S. Rept. 50); and

Eleventh Annual Report of the Select Committee on Small Business, with individual views (S. Rept. 51).

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President's Communication—Health of Aged: Communication from President transmitting draft of proposed bill to provide health insurance benefits for the aged, financed through the social security system, was received and referred to Committee on Finance.

Senator Hennings: Majority leader announced that on Friday, February 24, immediately after morning hour, Senators would be recognized in making remarks on the life, character, and services of the late Senator Hennings, of Missouri.

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Easter Recess: Majority leader stated that the Easter recess this year will probably be limited to the weekend preceding Easter Monday, including Good Friday.

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Meteorology: S. 681, authorizing the Secretary of Commerce to enter into contracts for the conduct of research in the field of meteorology, was passed without amendment.

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FCC Oath Waiver: Senate passed without amendment S. 683, to amend the Communications Act so as to eliminate requirement of an oath on certain documents filed with the FCC.

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Aged: Committee on Labor and Public Welfare was granted extension of time until February 20 to file report on the aged, under the provisions of S. Res. 266, 86th Congress.

Condolence Resolution: S. Res. 89, expressing condolences on the death of Representative Norrell, was adopted.

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